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Dear Mr. Byrd:

As we discussed in our recent telephone conversation, I am enclosing copies of six National Intelligence Estimates (NIEs) and one Special National Intelligence Estimate (SNIE) for your review. They are as follows:

NIE 25, Probable Soviet Courses of Action to Mid-1952, 2 August 1951;

NIE 53-54, Outlook for Afghanistan, 19 October 1954;

NIE 71-54, Probable Developments in North Africa, 31 August 1954;

NIE 76-60, Probable Trends in the Horn of Africa, 21 June 1960;

NIE 60-62, Guinea and Mali as Exemplars of African Radicalism, 11 July 1962;

SNIE 64.1-62, The Outlook for Ghana, 17 October 1962;

NIE 97-63, Political Prospects in Peru, 1 May 1963.

These documents were reviewed by CIA and selected as possibly ready for declassification and release. All elements of the Intelligence Community have concurred in this judgment except State. NIE 76-60 is the only exception, because it still requires USAF review. These are the last of approximately 370 estimates that have been reviewed by CDC personnel in the last three years.

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I have a further question you might be able to answer. A State reviewer, several years ago, denied the declassification of NIE 69 (Supplement) Probable Developments in North Africa, 12 September 1952. However, it is my understanding that a copy of this document appeared in Foreign Relations of the United States, 1952-54, Volume XI. We do not have a copy of that issue. If the complete estimate was in Volume XI, we will have to declassify the record copy.

Sincerely,

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